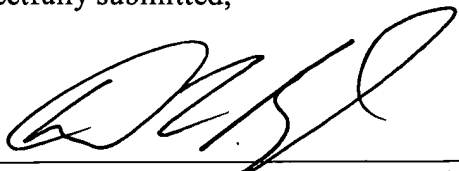


to the Examiner's requirement to elect a single species and identify the claims readable thereon.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in greater detail, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

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